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SYNOPSIS

Information concerning Australian leaf-miners is limited, and in this paper some leaf-mining species of Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, Diptera and Lepidoptera bred from various host plants are recorded.

Although the extent of the biological studies of each species was necessarily restricted, the observations recorded add to the knowledge of the various groups of leaf-miners commonly encountered during forest entomological investigations in New South Wales.

INTRODUCTION

Forest trees, amenity trees and shrubs, or agricultural plants, at times may be severely attacked by leaf-miners, and the importance of damage caused by these insects may be classified broadly as either economic or aesthetic.

Comparatively few Australian leaf-miners are of economic importance, although a number of species associated with agriculture at times destroy or severely affect crops of potential food value to man, or to those animals on which man is dependent.

As most leaf-miners are minute insects, the effects of damage to trees and shrubs are usually insignificant unless large numbers of a particular leaf-miner species occur at the one time, when defoliation of trees over hundreds or thousands of acres of forest may occur (Moore 1963; Newman & Clark 1945) or when amenity plantings are severely affected (Hadlington 1954).

The number of species of these small or minute insects which feed within the tissues of leaves, is considerable, and most species belong to the order Lepidoptera (moths), although a few belong to the orders Coleoptera (beetles), Diptera (flies) and Hymenoptera (sawflies). They are called "leaf-miners" because they feed on, and mine between, the leaf tissues situated between the upper and lower leaf cuticles.

Some intensive studies of leaf-miners have been made in Europe (Hering 1951), America (Needham, Frost & Tothill 1928) and New Zealand (Watt 1924). This paper collates information on the biology, and illustrates some of the mines, of about 120 species indigenous to Australia, and refers to literature concerning introduced species.

LEPIDOPTEROUS LEAF-MINERS.

Evidence that lepidopterous leaf-miners occurred some 40 million years ago is recorded by Freeman (1965). Some species of lepidopterous leaf-miners complete their life-cycle within a few weeks, while others may produce only one generation each year. Eggs may be deposited either on the outside of the leaf cuticle or within the tissues below either the upper or the lower leaf cuticle. A particular oviposition site may be constant for a given family

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or genus of moths. The type of leaf tissue in which larvae at times may feed and mine is sometimes associated with a discrete speices of leaf-miner or even a particular larval instar, and the shape of some mines may be typical for a certain genus, or species, of insect. Larvae may commence feeding in the epidermal cells immediately below either the upper or lower leaf cuticle and/or the palisade parenchyma; others may feed on the spongy parenchyma, or consume one or more cell layers. Others migrate internally from one side of the leaf to the other side, destroying only the epidermis in their early instars, and the upper or lower parenchyma during later instars; some destroy all of the parenchymous tissue, so that only the upper and lower leaf cuticles remain above and below the mine.

Leaf-mining larvae are comparatively soft and are relatively secluded in an area where they are surrounded by sappy plant tissues. During their early instars they are usually found in the young tender leaves of new plant growth, although leaves sometimes become fully developed before the larval stages are completed. Larvae of early sap-feeding instars usually possess mouthparts specialised for abrading the leaf cell walls (Moore 1953) to release the plant fluids necessary for their growth, but chewing mouthparts are typical of later instar larvae when the leaf tissues are ingested and the mine is considerably extended and deepened. Larvae may pupate either within the mine, or in cocoons spun on twigs or leaves, among debris on or near the ground, or in the soil.

A number of lepidopterous leaf-mining species construct typical mines differing in detail from those of all other species. The great diversity of mine patterns and sizes is of particular interest, and sometimes is of value in the determination of the insect species. Host association also appears to be of importance to some species.

Parasitism of leaf-miners usually occurs, varying considerably in the one locality and sometimes causing complete mortality for a given species. Braconid and chalcidoid wasps are the parasites most often reared from leaf-miners, and ants and small birds appear to be the principal predators.

Mines may	be classified broadly as:
Blotch:	These mines, usually about as wide as they are long, appear as blisters on the leaf surface (Figure 4).
Linear:	Larvae mine more or less directly forward (Figure 22).
Linear-blotch:	Construction of the linear portion precedes that of the blotch portion (Figure 2).
Serpentine:	This type of mine is long, narrow and sinuous, and of comparatively uniform width (Figure 14).
Serpentine- blotch:	The serpentine portion is usually constructed by an early instar larva, and the blotch portion by later instars (Figure 12).
Linear- expanded:	Mines are at first linear, then expanded distally into a small blotch-like area during the last instar (Figure 13).
Serpentine- expanded:	As the previous type, except that the early portion is serpentine (Figure 8).
Digitate:	As the name suggests, mines are constructed in various directions with the narrow prolongations appearing finger-like (Figure 1).

A. Family Gracilariidae.

Mines constructed by species in this family appear to be of similar general type and shape within each discrete genus, although they may differ considerably between genera.

Mines of the various species in the genus *Acrocercops* are similar in general appearance, and usually show characteristics distinct from those of other genera in this family. Early instar larvae usually construct a narrow, more or less linear type mine, although this portion of the mine is often obliterated during later instars as the blotch is constructed in the same general area of the leaf.

Acrocercops calicella (Stainton).

Mine type: Digitate-blotch (Figure 1).

Host: Eucalyptus acmenioides Schau.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition usually occurs on the upper leaf surface and the early stage of the mine is constructed in the epidermal cells beneath the upper cuticle. Larvae are similar in shape and habits to those of *A. hoplocala*. The early instar larvae are sap-feeding and later instar larvae deepen the mine as most of the palisade and spongy parenchyma are destroyed. The mines are usually narrower and longer than those of *A. hoplocala*, and with the perimeter sinuate or digitate.

Larvae emerge from the mines to pupate either on their outer surfaces or along the leaf edge, when reared in jars. The cuticle of the mine is at first silvery white, but later becomes more darkly stained with brown than the mine of A. hoplocala. Granular excreta are distributed along the perimeter of the mine.

The cocoons, golden in colour, are spun in positions similar to those of A. hoplocala when held in jars. No globules have been found on or in the cocoons of this species.



Figure 1. Mine of Acrocercops calicella on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

Acrocercops chionosema Turner.

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

Host: Macadamia integrifolia Maiden & Betche.

Locality: Sydney to Queensland.

Notes: This species is referred to by Cann (1965) as mining in the upper surface of the leaves of the Queensland nut tree.

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Mines occur on M. integrifolia during spring and autumn at Sydney. They may be up to 60 mm. in length, with the blotch portion always across and along the centre vein of a leaf. The blotch area has markings of a rusty redbrown colour caused by the lines of excreta within the mine. Last instar larvae deepen the mine, and affected leaves bear patches of brown where tissues have died beyond the mine.

Acrocercops hoplocala Meyrick.

Mine type: Linear-blotch (Figure 2).

Host: Eucalyptus saligna Smith.

Localities: Sydney; Gosford-Wyong area, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae have been collected during March, May to September, and November to January.

Oviposition always occurs on the upper leaf surface, and the egg is visible as a silvery spot at the commencement of the linear portion of the mine, or on the blotch portion when it has obliterated the commencement of the linear portion.

The larva mines directly into the leaf tissues through the base of the egg attached to the cuticle. The upper epidermis is destroyed during early instars when the linear portion of the mine is constructed.

Both the linear and the blotch portions are white, but pale brown staining from the excreta of the early sap-feeding instar larva is sometimes evident. Larvae are similar in appearance to those of A. *laciniella*, with typical prograthous

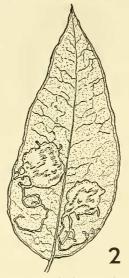


Figure 2. Mine of Acrocercops hoplocala on Eucalyptus saligna.

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sap-feeding mouthparts during early instars, but with the more usual lepidopterous mouthparts as the blotch area is constructed during later instars when portions of the blotch are irregularly deepened and most of the palisade and spongy parenchyma is destroyed.

The linear portion of the mine is completed in about 10 to 14 days, and the blotch portion in a further 6 to 8 days. The larva emerges from the mine through a semi-circular slit cut in the upper cuticle, and pupates in a white to pale yellow coccon which may be attached to the leaf or the blotch mine cuticle when specimens are reared in jars. No globules have been found attached to coccons of this species although they usually occur on or in the coccons of some other species of the family Gracilariidae.

A single mine usually occurs in almost any position on the upper leaf surface, but occasionally two mines may be present. The blotch sometimes may be extended so that, when completed, only small lengths of the linear portion are visible, but more usually, most of the linear portion remains. The pellets of excreta voided by the later instar larva are distributed in a broken line around the perimeter of the mine. A purplish discoloration is usually present in the leaf tissues outside the perimeter of the mine on the upper surface of the leaf, while a slight purplish suffusion on the lower surface is often the only indication of the presence of the mine above.

During early spring, the time occupied from eclosion to pupation is about 3 weeks, adults emerging about 3 weeks later.

Larvae of the Braconini (Braconidae) are ectoparasitic on larvae of *A. hoplocala*, and they construct silken cases near the centre of the mine in which to pupate, and which are surrounded by a thin black line of lepidoptera pellets.

Acrocercops laciniella (Meyrick).

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

- Hosts: Angophora costata (Gaertn.) Druce; A. floribunda (Smith) Sweet; Eucalyptus pilularis Smith; E. saligna; E. acmenioides.
- Localities: Sydney; Lisarow; Gosford; Norah Head; Olney East State Forest, N.S.Wales.

Some biology of this species, with figures of mines and details of larvae, have been recorded previously (Moore 1963).

Acrocercops macaria Turner.

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- Host: Euodia micrococca F. Muell.
- Locality: Ourimbah State Forest, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae have been collected during September. During early larval instars the mines are shallow, but they are deepend during later instars, so that only the upper and lower cuticles of the leaf remain covering the mined area. The lower cuticle of the mine is at first white, later becoming suffused with pink. Excreta are distributed randomly throughout the mine.

Mines are comparatively small (about 8 mm. long and 5 mm. wide), always occur below the hairy undersurface of the leaves, and are susually bounded by the mid-vein, the edge of the leaf near its base, and two adjacent secondary veins, although some mines occur further along the leaf toward the tip.

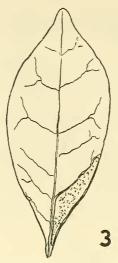


Figure 3. Mine of Acrocercops macaria on Euodia micrococca.

Larvae are at first cream, becoming increasingly suffused pinkish orange, and when about to pupate are pink with reddish transverse markings. They emerge from the mine through a crescentic slit cut in the cuticle, usually at the distal end of the mine, to pupate in silken cocoons constructed on the leaf surface when held in jars.

The pupal exuviae is protruded from the cocoon before the adult emerges. Adults emerged during October.

Acrocercops ordinatella (Meyrick).

Adults of this species were reared from larvae collected near Coff's Harbour, N.S.Wales, during February, mining in the leaves of a one-year-old plant of *Cinnamomum camphora* (L.) Nees. Adult moths emerged during February.

Acrocercops plebeia (Turner).

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

Host: Acacia podalyriifolia A. Cunn. ex G. Don.

Locality: N.S.W. and Queensland.

Notes: This species on the above host, and some of its biology, is recorded by Froggatt (1927).

Mines may occur on both sides of the leaves and cover most of the leaf surfaces, so that little of the linear portion of the mine is eventually discernible.

Larvae collected during 16 February at Sydney, emerged as adults on 3 March. Larvae constructed their deep cream cocoons on the base of the rearing jar

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Acrocercops sp. near argyrodesma (Meyrick).

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

Host:

Locality:

Hakea salicifolia (Vent.) B. L. Burtt. Ourimbah State Forest, N.S.Wales. Foliage of the attacked shoots becomes brown and distorted, Notes: with the death of some shoots occurring distally.

From larvae collected and reared during November and December, adults emerged during December and January. The life cycle occupied about 5 weeks. Acrocercops sp. nov. ? (in laciniella group)

Mine type: Blotch.

Host: Eucalyptus radiata Sieb. Locality: Kanangra Walls, N.S.Wales. Notes: Larvae collected during August spun their golden-brown coccons_on the cuticles of the mines when reared in jars, and adults emerged during October.

The blotch mine is round to oval, white, and without brown staining, and as many as 3 mines may occur on the one leaf. The linear portion is usually obliterated by the blotch portion which may cross the mid-vein of the leaf. Acrocercops sp.

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 4).

Host:

Asterolasia correifolia Benth. Ourimbah State Forest, N.S.Wales. Locality:

Several somewhat tortuous, silvery linear type mines in the Notes: upper epidermis of a leaf sometimes radiate from the one centre of oviposition. All the parenchyma is consumed as the blotch area is completed, so that most, if not all, of the linear portion is obliterated by the blotch portion. The mines always spread each side of the mid vein.

Larvae leave the mine through a crescentic shaped slit in the cuticle of the upper leaf surface, to pupate on the leaf or on the cuticle of the mine when reared in jars. Numerous globules may occur on the cocoon, and the pupal exuviae is protruded from the cocoon before the adult emerges.



Figure 4. Mine of Acrocercops sp. on Asterolasia correifolia.

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Pupation occupied about 2 to 3 weeks during October, and adults emerged during October and November.

Braconid wasps were reared from larvae of this species.

Acrocercops sp.

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

Host: Pomaderris ligustrina Sieb. ex DC.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

The biology of this species is very similar to that of the previously mentioned species, but the mines do not always spread each side of the mid-vein.

Gracilaria xanthopharella Meyrick.

 Mine type:
 Linear-expanded (Figure 5).

 Host:
 Glochidion ferdinandi J. Muell.

 Locality:
 Gosford area, N.S.Wales.

Notes: The mine of this species of *Gracilaria* has characteristics distinct from those of the species studied in other genera of the family Gracilaridae. It is at first white and tortuous, with the latter half of the completed mine pale brown, and more or less extending into a blotch at its distal end. Cocoons are spun on the leaf or on the container used for rearing the specimens. Larvae were collected during August and September.

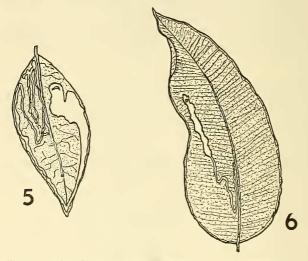


Figure 5. Mine of Gracilaria xanthopharella on Glochidion ferdinandi.

Figure 6. Leaf of Angophora floribunda showing mine and pupation site of Parectopa ida.



Figure 7. Leaf curled by larva of Parectopa ida.

Parectopa ida (Meyrick).

Mine type: Linear-expanded (Figures 6 and 7).

Hosts: Angophora floribunda; Eucalyptus acmenioides; E. gummilera (Gaertn.) Hochr.; E. paniculata Smith; E. pilularis; E. robusta Smith; E. saligna.

Localities: Sydney; Gosford-Wyong area; Norahville, N.S.Wales.

Notes: The mines and habits of *P. ida* are distinct from those of the species studied in the other genera of this family.

In the Lisarow area, the host most heavily attacked was A. floribunda, and larvae were collected during the months of March and May to November.

Oviposition occurs only on the lower surface of a leaf, the egg being placed on the external leaf cuticle. After emergence of the larva, the more or less oval chorion, about 0.6 mm. in diameter, is visible as a minute silvery spot on the leaf surface at the commencement of the mine.

Larvae emerge through that portion of the chorion attached to the leaf cuticle, and so commence mining in the leaf tissues, thus obviating their exposure on the leaf surface. Mines usually occur only in the comparatively young and succulent leaves of epicormic, coppice and regeneration growth of the various host plants.

During the first instar, when larvae do not possess the more usual lepidopterous mandibles, only the epidermal layer of cells is destroyed. The mandibles are flat, plate-like structures with rounded and serrated anterior edges utilised for cutting and bruising the cells to release the fluids which are conveyed along grooves on their surfaces. The head capsule is extremely flattened dorso-ventrally, with prognathous mouthparts. Both types of mandibles, which have been figured previously (Moore 1963), are similar to those of *A. laciniella*. Larvae are thus peculiarly adapted to mine proficiently in a very restricted area. The head capsule is protrusible anteriorly.

For about 11 days after eclosion, the larva mines forward to form a narrow linear mine through the epidermal cells with only the thin cuticle of the leaf remaining above it. The mine is visible as a silvery-white line which is variable in length and position on the leaf. The linear portion of the mine may extend for about 50 mm. to 60 mm., and gradually increases in width from the diameter of the egg to more than 1 mm. where it adjoins the expanded area.

On completion of the linear portion, the larva undergoes ecdysis, when its mouthparts become the more usual lepidopterous type. For about 3 days after the larva recommences to feed, it continues to mine forward, but the resulting mine now becomes wider and deeper, assuming the form of an elongate expanded area about 20 mm. long and 2.5 mm. wide. This area becomes tanbrown in colour soon after the tissues are destroyed. On the upper leaf surface opposite to the mine, is an elongate pale green or yellow-green to red-brown area corresponding more or less to the shape of the mine below. As the expanded portion is extended, the palisade and portion of the spongy mesophyll of the leaf are destroyed, and a fine web spun over the internal upper surface of the mine causes the thin "roof" of the mine to be raised for all of its length into a gable-shaped ridge over the larva. When the young leaf is actively growing, or when the mine is close to its outer edge, distortion of the leaf are, by consuming the remaining narenchyma. This may occupy about 6 days, with a total of 9 to 11 days from the commencement of the expanded area. Last instar larvae are pale yellow and about 8 mm. to 9 mm. in length.

After the deepening of the expanded area, the larva emerges through a round hole cut in the ridged cuticle near the end of that area. From the mine, it moves to the leaf tip where it spins thick strands of silk which adhere to the surface of the leaf. The tip of the leaf is thus curled approximately twice, into a tube-like structure in which the larva continues to feed on the ventral surface of the leaf forming the tube. The leaf may also be cut by the larva, longitudinally from the tip, with the cut forming one extremity of the tube and the leaf edge the other extremity (Figure 7). Should leaves be in contact, larvae may tie them together with silken threads and feed within that area, instead of constructing the tube.

Mines may occur almost anywhere on the lower surface of a leaf, and the linear nortion may cross the mid-vein, usually toward the distal end of the leaf. The excreta of larvae during the early san-feeding instars is visible as a faint brownish stain on the cuticle, usually alone the centre of the silvery-white portion. When the larva attains its more typical leridopterous mouthparts and commences to ingest the tissues with the sap, the excreta become pranular and loose in the expanded area of the mine. The linear portion of the mine is constructed by the first two larval instars, the remaining two instars constructing the expanded area and curling the leaf.

When about to pupale, the larva leaves the tube and proceeds to the edge of a leaf (not necessarily the one it has curled) where, by means of a strong web of silk, a small portion of the edge becomes folded over to form a shelter where the larva spins its cocoon of shiny white silk (Figure 6). Attached to the internal or external surface of many of the cocoons is a variable number of minute globules composed of a shiny white substance. From eclosion of the larva to pupation is about 3 weeks.

The pupa fractures the cocoon by means of a series of spinous processes on the anterior tin of the exuviae and which are similar to those on the pupa of A. laciniella (Moore 1963, Fig. 5). The exuviae protrudes for about twothirds of its length from the end of the cocoon prior to the moth emerging, about 3 to 6 weeks after the construction of the cocoon.

The adult moth, with a wing span of about 11 mm. and a length of 4 mm. is prominently marked with red, yellow, black and white.

The life cycle from the egg to the adult occupies about 6 to 9 weeks, early instar larvae collected during July emerging as adults during August and September.

Wasps of the Chalcidoidea and Ichneumonidae have been reared from specimens collected at Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Phyllocnistis diaugella Meyrick.

Mine type: Serpentine (Figure 8).

Host: Breynia oblongifolia J. Muell.

Locality: Lisarow-Wyong area, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Mines of species in this genus have characteristics distinct from those in other genera of this family. All of those mines examined were situated on the upper surface of the leaves, and the white silvery cuticle of the mine was stained with a narrow pale to dark brown sinuate mark caused by the larval excreta. A mine of this species occupies most, or all, of the upper leaf surface.

Larvae were collected during September, and pupation occupied about 16 days during that month.



Figure 8. Mine of *Phyllocnistis* diaugella on Breynia oblongifolia.

Figure 9. Mine of Phyllocnistis sp. on Hibbertia scandens.

Phyllocnistis sp. (probably sp. nov.)

Mine type: Linear-expanded (Figure 9).

Host: Hibbertia scandens (Willd.) Gilg.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae at first construct an extensive linear type mine in the lower parenchyma, then migrate internally to the upper palisade layer alongside the mid-vein near the base of the leaf, to complete their mines. Mines are visible as a pale pinkish linear marking on the lower surface, and a reddish-brown serpentine area more or less conforming to the shape of the mine, on the upper surface. Mines are similar to, but usually larger than, those of *P*. *diaugella*.

The excreta, which are deposited in a sinuate line transversely, stain the mine cuticle dark brown, similar to mines of P. diaugella. The leaf is drawn into a crease or fold along the distal portion of the mine where the cocoon is constructed, and where the larva pupates.

Larvae were collected during September and February.

Pupation occupies about 12 days during September, and the pupal exuviae is protruded from the extremity of the mine as the adult emerges.

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B. Family Nepticulidae.

The mines of the various species in this family of moths are more readily separable than are those of species in the family Gracilaridae, and it appears that most species may be determined by the structural differences shown in the mines. The species of leaf-miners occurring in this family are among the smallest moths known, and adults are usually dark coloured, sometimes with a metallic suffusion and a few white scales.

Nepticula phyllanthina Meyrick.

Mine type: Serpentine-linear-expanded (Figure 10).

Host: Glochidion ferdinandi.

Locality: Sydney; Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs on the under surface of a leaf, usually close to the leaf edge, the larva entering the leaf through the chorion to commence mining below the upper cuticle. When the mine is completed, larvae cut an oval hole in the distal extremity of the mine on the lower leaf surface and fall to the ground where a minute white cocoon is constructed in the soil.



Figure 10. Mine of Nepticula phyllanthina on Glochidion ferdinandi.

Larvae were collected during August, pupation occupying about 4 weeks during spring, and the pupal exuviae is protruded from the end of the cocoon before the adult moth emerges. Nepticula ? funeralis Meyrick.

Mine type: Serpentine-blotch (Figure 11).

Hosts: E. acmenioides; E. pilularis.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs anywhere on the upper leaf surface, and larvae commence mining beneath the upper cuticle. The egg may be seen as a brown shiny speck on the leaf.



Figure 11. Mine of Nepticula ? funeralis on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

The mine appears as a dark brown blotch on the upper leaf surface, while on the lower leaf surface a brown area denotes its position. It is at first serpentine for a comparatively short distance, then enlarges to form a blotch, which is often restricted by the venation of the leaf. Larvae cut through the upper cuticle at the distal end of the mine, and fall to the ground where they pupate. Larvae leaving mines during July emerge as adults during the following March.

Larvae are pale green, with a dark median stripe which is due to the presence of recently ingested leaf tissues in the alimentary tract. Nepticula sp. (in funeralis ? group).

Mine type: Serpentine-blotch (Figure 12).

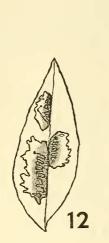
Hosts: E. saligna; E. grandis; E. microcorys F. Muell.

Locality: Lisarow; Ourimbah State Forest, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs on the upper leaf surface. On leaving the mine, larvae make an oval hole in the lower leaf cuticle, fall to the ground and pupate in small golden-coloured cocoons under debris on the ground.

Position of the mine on the leaf is variable, but it usually occurs near the mid-vein. The early portion is serpentine, with the blotch area superimposed and extended laterally. Excreta are compacted along that side of the mine nearest to the mid-vein.

Larvae collected during July emerged as adults during the following March.



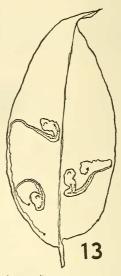


Figure 12. Mine of Nepticula sp. on Eucalyptus saligna. Figure 13. Mine of Nepticula sp. No. 1 on Eucalyptus saligna.

Nepticula sp. No. 1 (near libera).

Mine type: Linear-expanded (Figure 13).

Hosts: E. saligna; E. acmenioides; E. grandis; A. floribunda.

Localities: Lisarow; Pennant Hills, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition and the mines occur on the upper leaf surface, up to 3 mines occurring on the one leaf. Larvae leave the mines at dusk through a crescentic slit made in the upper leaf cuticle at the distal end of the mine. Larvae have been collected during May to December, those collected during

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the first week in July emerging as adults approximately 7 to 8 weeks later. and those larvae which emerge from the mines during May, become adults during July. Last instar larvae are orange with the digestive tract green.

The mine is reddish-purple proximally, then reddish-pink to the expanded portion from where it is cream-fawn in colour. Excreta may be seen through the leaf cuticle as dark areas in the first portion of the mine, and later fill the early part of the expanded portion. As the mine is expanded, the black excreta appear at the side of the mine, and the line is forked distally near where the larva emerges.

Pupation occurred in the soil when held in jars, and the pupal exuviae protruded from the soil as the adults emerged.

Nepticula sp. No. 2 (near funeralis or melanotis). Mine type: Serpentine (Figure 14). Hosts: E. saligna; E. acmenioides; E. pilularis; A. floribunda. Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Eggs are placed on the upper leaf surface. Unlike the previous species, larvae leave the mine through a semi-circular slit made in the ventral leaf cuticle. Larvae collected during September pupated and emerged as adults about 6 weeks later. Some collected during July emerged during August. Last instar larvae are bright green in colour. After leaving the mine, larvae spin a flattened tan-brown cocoon on debris or just below the soil surface, the pupal exuviae being protruded from the end of the cocoon when the adult emerges.

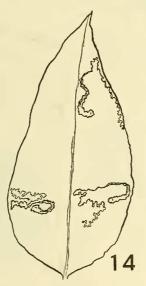


Figure 14. Mine of Nepticula sp. No. 2 on Eucalyptus saligna.

Mines occur on the upper surface of a leaf, but their position is variable on the leaf. The proximal portion of the mine is filled with excreta which appear red-brown on the upper leaf cuticle, while excreta in the distal portion are black, and placed centrally in the mine. There is a minute red area where the egg is deposited on the leaf surface. During early instars, a silvery-white, tortuous linear mine is constructed, and during the later instars the mine appears creamy white with a central line of excreta appearing black on the cuticle.

Five specimens of a chalcidoid parasite emerged from one mine during August.

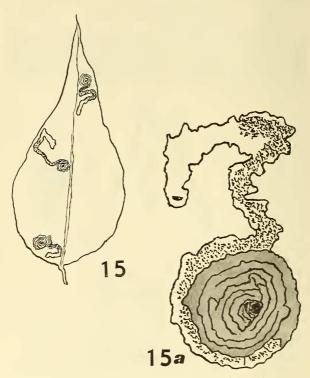


Figure 15, 15a. Mine of Nepticula sp. No. 3 on Eucalyptus saligna.

Nepticula sp. No. 3 (near gilva).

Mine type: Serpentine-expanded (Figures 15 and 15a).

Hosts: E. saligna; E. acmenioides; E. pilularis.

Localities: Lisarow; Pennant Hills, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Ovinosition occurs on the dorsal cuticle of the leaf, and larvae emerge from the mines through a slit cut in the ventral leaf cuticle. They spin a tan-brown oval pupal case of coarse silk among debris on the ground. Larvae collected during July emerged as adults about 12 weeks later, the pupal exuviae protruding from the end of the cocoon after emergence of the adult. Larvae have been collected during June to September, January, March and April.

The peculiar shape of the mine of this species is distinctive. The early linear portion is constructed in contiguous circles outward from the egg capsule until the circular area is about 4 mm. to 5 mm. in diameter, so that the egg capsule is thus at the approximate centre of the circular area. In the circular area, mining occurs mainly in the palisade layer, but in later stages all of the parenchyma is destroyed so that this portion of the mine is translucent. The central circle of the mine is deep red in colour on the upper leaf surface, but is seen as an irregular brown patch on the lower surface. Position of the mine on a leaf is variable, and there may be several on one leaf.

Larvae may be yellow-green, yellowish or pinkish-orange to bright purple in colour.

Apanteles sp. (Braconidae) parasitises larvae of this species.

Nepticula sp. No. 4 (near caenodera or endocapna).

Mine type: Serpentine-expanded (Figure 16).

Hosts: E. acmenioides; E. saligna; E. pilularis; E. microcorys.

Locality: Lisarow: Olney East State Forest, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Eggs are laid on the dorsal surface of a leaf, and larvae have been collected during April and June to January. Last instar larvae are

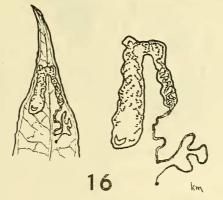


Figure 16. Mine of Nepticula sp. No. 4 on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

bright green with a black median dorsal marking, and they emerge through a crescentic slit cut in the upper leaf cuticle. They pupate in the soil in white silken cocons, or on debris on the ground.

From pupation to emergence of the adult occupies about 8 weeks during early spring.

Position of the mine is variable from the base to the tip of a leaf, and its shape is distinctive. The palisade layer only is mined during the early instars, but both the palisade and the spongy parenchyma are destroyed in the expanded portion of the mine. When the upper epidermis and palisade, and the upper and lower spongy parenchyma are destroyed, a network of small leaf veins, and the oil glands, remain on the floor of the expanded portion of the mine. The upper cuticle of the expanded portion becomes light to tan-brown in colour, and black narrow lines of excreta are plainly visible adhering to the upper cuticle of the mine. The early serpentine portion is red-brown to black in colour.

A single braconid specimen, or 9 chalcidoid specimens, have emerged from one larva of this species of leaf-miner

Nepticula sp. No. 5.

Mine type: Serpentine (Figure 17).

Hosts: E. acmenioides; E. pilularis.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: The transparent bright green or purple last instar larvae emerge from the mine through the ventral leaf cuticle. Ingested food is clearly visible through their cuticle as a red median stripe. Larvae pupate in tan-brown silken coccons just below the soil surface or on leaves, when

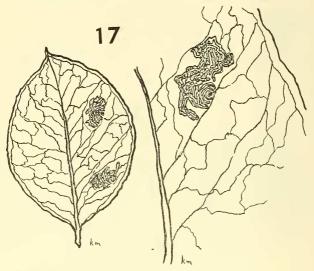


Figure 17. Mine of Nepticula sp. No. 5 on Eucalyptus pilularis.

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reared in jars. The pupal exuviae is protruded from the end of the cocoon at the emergence of the adult. The time from the spinning of the cocoon to the emergence of the adult is about 8 months. Larvae were collected during June and July.

The position of the mine on a leaf is variable, and more than one mine may be found on the one leaf. Mines are tortuous, with the galleries contiguous, and the egg capsule is visible as a silvery spot on the dorsal cuticle near the centre of the mine. Mines are reddish-purple at first, later portions sometimes being silver in colour. The restricted translucent area denotes the distal end of the mine.



Figure 18. Nepticulid mine on Asterolasia correifolia.

Nepticulidae.

Mine type: Serpentine (Figure 18). Host: Asterolasia correifolia. Ourimbah State Forest; Lisarow, N.S.Wales. Locality:

Notes: Oviposition occurs on the upper leaf surface. Larvae have been collected during September, and February and March, and they leave the mine through a semicircular slit in the upper leaf cuticle. Mines are to be found on the upper leaf surface, and a dark central line of excreta may be seen in the mine.

Nepticulidae.

Mine type:	Serpentine.
Host:	Pomaderris ligustrina.
Locality:	Lisarow, N.S.Wales.
Notes:	Mines of this species are similar to those of the previous species.

Nepticulidae

pucundac.	
Mine type:	Serpentine-linear-blotch (Figure 19).
Host:	E. acmenioides.
Locality:	Lisarow, N.S.Wales.
Notes:	Larvae were collected during July. Eggs are laid on the

dorsal leaf surface, and larvae leave the mines through the dorsal surface.

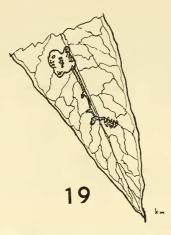


Figure 19. Nepticulid mine on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

Position of the mines on a leaf is variable, but usually close to the mid-vein of the leaf. The early part of the mine is reddish-brown with the linear portion light brown, the blotch area being darker brown. Frass is central in the linear portion, then distributed in small groups in the blotch area.

Nepticulidae.

Mine type: Serpentine (Figure 20).

Hosts: E. acmenioides; E saligna; E. microcorys.

Locality: Lisarow; Olney East State Forest, N.S.Wales.

Notes: The pale to bright green larvae have been collected during July, August, January and March. Oviposition occurs on the upper leaf surface, and the larvae leave the mine on the lower leaf surface to spin small dark brown cocoons on the base of the jar. The pupal exuviae is protruded from the case at emergence of the adult.

Mines usually occur on mature leaves of *E. acmenioides*, and on semimature leaves of *E. saligna*, and their position on the leaf is variable. The serpentine portion of the mine is seen as a thin grey line, with the digitate portion darker in colour. The distal portion is greyish-green, and the digitate part appears to be constructed solely in the spongy parenchyma. Excreta are seen as a black central line in the scrpentine portion, and the edges of the excreta appear to follow the contours of the digitate portion.

Up to 4 chalcidoid specimens of parasites have emerged from one larva.

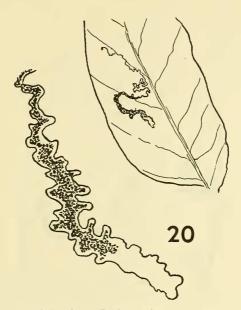


Figure 20. Nepticulid mine on Eucalyptus saligna.

Nepticulidae.

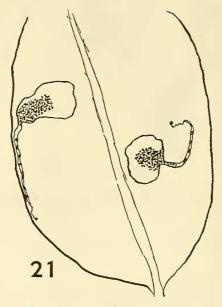
Mine type: Linear-blotch (Figure 21).

Host: Angophora floribunda.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition usually occurs on the dorsal surface of a leaf, usually near the edge of the leaf. Last instar larvae make their exit through a crescentic slit on the ventral leaf surface, at the distal end of the blotch portion. Larvae were collected during October to December, and the time from pupation to the emergence of the adult is about 6 weeks.

Position of the mine on a leaf is variable, but usually toward the leaf edge. Up to 6 mines may occur on one leaf. Excreta of larvae may be spread over the central portion of the blotch area with the edges of the blotch remaining clear, and the mine perimeter is usually surrounded by a narrow line of purple staining.



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Figure 21. Nepticulid mine on Angophora floribunda.

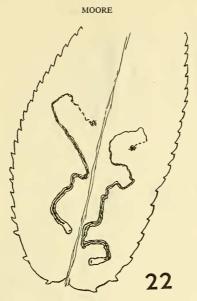


Figure 22. Nepticulid mine on Rubus moorei.

Nepticulidae.

Mine type:	Linear	(Figure	22	2).
Host:	Rubus	moorei	F.	Muell.
Locality:	Lisarov	v, N.S.W	ale	s.

Notes: Eggs are deposited within the leaf tissues, and the early portion of the mine is not visible on either leaf surface. The oviposition site is denoted by a reddish spot on the dorsal cuticle. Larvae were collected during September, mining in the dorsal surface, to pupate in small whitish cocoons on leaves or on the soil surface when reared in jars. Larvae are pale orange in colour.

Nepticulidae.

Mine type:	Linear-expanded (Figure 23).
Host:	Banksia integrifolia L.f.
Locality:	Boat Harbour (Central Coast), N.S.Wales.
Notes:	Larvae leave the mines from the upper leaf surface.

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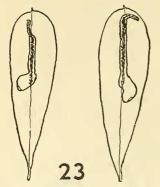


Figure 23. Nepticulid mine on Banksia integrifolia.

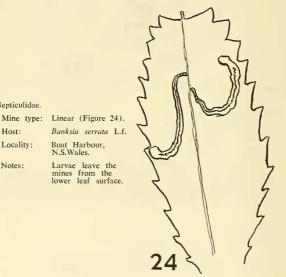


Figure 24. Nepticulid mine on Banksia serrata.

Nepticulidae.

Host: Locality:

Notes:



Figure 25. Mine of Heliozela prodela about half constructed on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

C. Family Heliozelidae.

Heliozela prodela Meyrick.

Mine type: Linear-blotch (Figure 25).

Hosts: A. floribunda; E. acmenioides; E. saligna; E. pilularis; E. gummifera.

Localities: Lisarow; Sydney, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs in the mid-vein from $\frac{1}{4}$ " to 1" from the tip of a leaf, and the site is denoted by callous tissue. Larvae have been collected during May to July. First instar larvae mine along the mid-vein toward the tip of a leaf, then back and forth across the tip in the secondary venation; or they may first mine along a lateral vein toward the leaf edge, then along the vein just inside the leaf edge, to return to the mid-vein and then back and forth across the leaf tip 3 or 4 times in the secondary venation. The area distal to the basal line of the mid-vein for a variable distance, then adistal to the basal line of the mid-vein for a variable distance, then mines most of the parenchyma in the leaf tip, thus forming a blotch mine. This area turns light brown dorsally, and from this area a small convex oval case about 4 mm, by 2 mm. is cut out either on or near the mid-vein, and within the area of previous mining, and shed from the leaf. The dorsal

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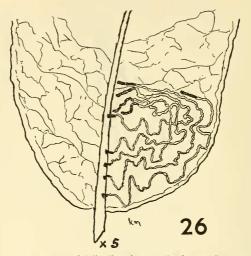


Figure 26. Early stage of heliozelid mines on Eucalyptus saligna.

side of the case is dark grey and the ventral side light grey on A. floribunda. The internal surface of the case is covered with white silk.

The early portion of the mine may be destroyed as the blotch area is constructed, and there is usually an area of staining around the mine. More than one mine may occur on a leaf.

Cases may be constructed during May, June and January, so that there appears to be more than one generation each year. From those cases constructed during May, adults emerged during September. The pupal exuviae protrudes from the end of the case as the adult emerges. Heliozelidae.

Mine type: Linear-blotch (Figure 26).

Hosts: E. saligna: E. grandis: E. acmenioides.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs at the edge of the mid-vein on the ventral leaf surface, where a swelling of the tissues may be seen. Up to 6 eggs may be placed more or less configuously, resulting in an area of dead tissue on the vein, and the base of the leaf below the mines becomes greygreen, often to dry out before the larvae mature. Larvae commence mining in the spongy parenchyma only, moving toward the leaf edge, then turn to cross the mid-vein after about 7 days.

Early portions of the mines are constructed in a forward direction only, and larvae fit closely in the mines which are not extended laterally until the blotch area is commenced. The small, fine venation of the leaf is retained on the leaf cuticle inside the blotch area, so that the pupal cases cut from the blotch area show the darker green network of the venation against the cream-coloured background. From the commencement of the cutting out of the pupal case until its completion and separation from the leaf, occupies

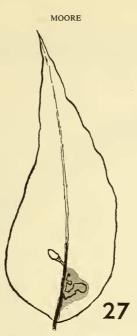


Figure 27. Heliozelid mine on Eucalyptus pilularis.

about 7 hours, and the time taken from the commencement to completion of the mine is about one month during June and July. From larvae collected during May to July, adults emerged during September. Larvae are translucent yellow-green.

Heliozelidae.

Mine type: Linear (Figure 27).

A. floribunda; E. pilularis. Hosts:

Lisarow, N.S.Wales. Locality:

Notes: Oviposition occurs between the mid-vein and the edge of the leaf toward its base, and the area is surrounded by a deep red, more or less circular, stain. Larvae were collected during June and September.

After usually mining to the edge of the leaf, the larva continues to mine along the edge for a short distance, then back to the mid-vein which is followed toward the tip of the leaf for about two-thirds of its length. The early mine appears as a thin red line and the mid-vein turns black. Young larvae sometimes mine to the mid-vein before reaching the side of the leaf, mine to its base, then turn upward toward the tip of the leaf. The entire leaf becomes pink, and then yellow-pink, and falls to the ground.

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Last instar larvae are deep pink, and construct cases by diverging from the mid-vein for a short distance, constructing a restricted blotch area contiguous to the vein, where a pupal case is constructed. This case is lined with silk and is usually attached at an angle to an object by means of a small pad of silk at the end of the case.

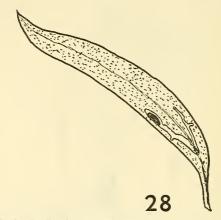


Figure 28. ? Heliozelid mine on Eucalyptus stricta.

? Heliozelidae.

Mine type: Linear (Figure 28).

Host: Eucalyptus stricta Sieb.

Locality: Kanangra Walls, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs toward the base of the leaf, between the mid-vein and the edge of the leaf, usually two-thirds to three-quarters of the distance from the tip to the base. Larvae were collected during August.

Mining toward the base of the mid-vein, the larva then crosses the mid-vein and continues toward the tip of the leaf for a distance about equal to that on the other side of the mid-vein, and so that the portion of the mine each side of the mid-vein is equiangular to the mid-vein. An area of callous tissue forms on the mid-vein. Two short lateral channels are also mined, one on each side of the mid-vein.

Oval cases in which the larvae pupate are cut from the distal end of the mine, and are lined with silk. Up to 3 mines may occur on one leaf. Pupal cases are cream with a pale brownish suffusion.

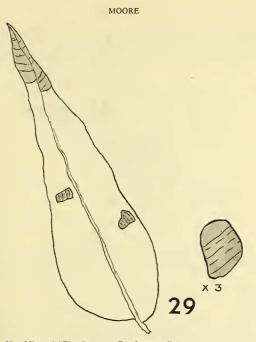


Figure 29. Mine of "Tinea" sp. on Eucalyptus saligna.

D. Family Incurvariidae.

"Tinea" sp. (in spodina group.)

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 29).

Host: E. saligna.

Locality: Ourimbah State Forest; Lisarow; Gosford, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae collected during August and September emerged during the following March. Larvae are cream in colour and pupal cases are dark brown, almost rectangular in shape, with fine, dark transverse striations.

The position of the mine on the leaf is variable, and often the tissues of the tip of the leaf are mined. More than one mine may occur on the one leaf. The shape of the dark brown blotch area is usually oblong to square, with distinctive darker fine transverse lines. The mined area is filled with larval excreta around the perimeter, and an area of deep purplish staining occurs around the edges.

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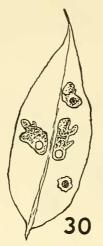


Figure 30. Mine of "Tinea" sp. on Eucalyptus acmenioides.

"Tinea" sp. (near spodina.)

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 30).

Hosts: E. acmenioides: E. saligna: E. pilularis.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Oviposition occurs below the cuticle of the leaf. Larvae are cream in colour, with the segments flattened laterally; the head is brown and retractile into the prothoracic segment to the base of the mandibles. They have been collected during June to early September, and those collected during June and July emerged as adults during the following March, so that a lengthy larval diapause occurs in the pupal case. Pupal exuviae are protruded from the cases as the adults emerge.

Position of the mine on a leaf is variable, and there are often several mines on one leaf. The outer edges of the mine are translucent, with particles of excreta clearly visible. The centre of the mined area, which later constitutes the case in which the larva pupates, is at first filled with excreta and later covered with silk. This area is dark brown, and the outer edges of the mine are surrounded with an area of reddish-purple staining.

Chalcidoid parasites which emerged by way of a small circular hole cut in the centre of the pupal case, were reared during May.

"Tinea" sp. (near pentaspila Meyrick.)

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 31).

Hosts: Eucalyptus sieberi L. Johnson.

Locality: Blackheath, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Position of the mine on a leaf is variable, and more than one may occur on the same leaf. Mines are at first red-brown, then dark grey-brown in a later stage of construction. The early mine is filled with

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excreta, while in the later portion it is scattered throughout the translucent area. A more or less oval to pear-shaped pupal case is cut out from the translucent part, and is shed from the leaf. Cases are about 5.5 mm. in length and 3 mm. wide, grey-brown and lined with silk. A purple stain occurs along the edge of the mine, and extends outward along the leaf venation.

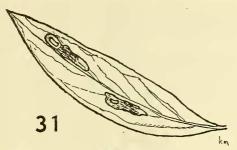


Figure 31. Mine of "Tinea" sp. on Eucalyptus sieberi.

"Tinea" sp.

Newman & Clark (1945) record that hosts of this Western Australian species are *E. marginata* Donn ex Sm; *E. rudis* Endl.; and the species is accidental to *E. gomphocephala* A.DC., *E. salubris* F. Muell. and *E. transcontinentalis* Maiden.

E. Family Tineidae.

"Tinea" nectarea Meyrick.

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 32).

Hosts: E. acmenioides; E. pilularis; E. saligna.

Localities: Lisarow; Sydney; Lawson, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae of this species pull around with them a case which serves as their shelter when they are not mining. They have been collected during August to April.

Prior to construction of the first case, two leaves of the host plant are held together with strands of silk between which the larvae feed and from which they extrude their excreta. The first case is cut from these two leaves and larvae then move to a new leaf to which the case is attached by strong strands of silk. Larvae then commence mining from the point of attachment to the leaf. The point of attachment is later indicated by a small round hole in the leaf cuticle through which the larvae mine the parenchyma between the leaf cuticles, so that the mines appear translucent. Although larvae usually attach their cases to the ventral leaf surface, some may feed from the dorsal surface. While mining, larvae often leave the case to extend the mine beyond their own length, but always return to the case to void excreta through the posterior end of the case. The cases, later formed from the upper and lower cuticles of the one leaf, are pale fawn, with a raised median ridge on each side from the anterior to the posterior exits. Cases constructed by last instar larvae are up to 10 mm. long and 10 mm. wide. The portion of the upper leaf cuticle surrounding the mine may be partly or wholly stained with

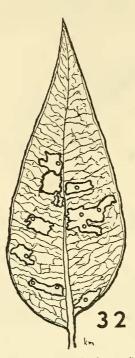


Figure 32. Mine of "Tinea" nectarea on Eucalyptus saligna.

purple, but this does not occur on the lower leaf cuticle. The round entrance hole to the mine is about 1.5 mm. in diameter.

Last instar larvae may move to the stem of the leaf. or to the twig, to attach their cases with a circular pad of silk, in which they pupate.

There appear to be two or three generations of this species each year, adults emerging three weeks after pupation during November, December, February or May. The pupal exuviae is protruded from the lower end of the case, and recently emerged adults cling to the pupal exuviae while their wings expand and dry.

F. Family Glyphipterygidae.

Eupselia sp. (near carpocapsella Walker.)

Mine type: Linear (Figure 33).

Hosts: E. saligna; E. acmenioides.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae have been collected during June to September, and those found during July were in mines half constructed. When the mine is completed, larvae leave it to feed externally during the last instar when jagged-edged holes are eaten in the leaf. Last instar larvae are about 15 mm. in length.

Mining commences near the mid-vein and extends towards the edge of the leaf along the secondary venation. The early portion of the mine is dark brown, and the later portions are pale brown. All of the parenchyma is destroyed and excreta are voided from the mine through a round hole at the proximal end of the mine. There may be 3 holes in the length of the mine. After leaving the mine and feeding externally, the larva constructs a tube on the surface of the leaf with leaf fragments attached to the leaf cuticle, in which the larva days.

Larvae pupate externally on the leaf surface, a pupa being attached to a pad of silk by its cremaster.

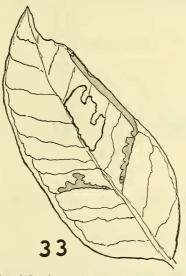


Figure 33. Mine of Eupselia sp. and area of damage on leaf of Eucalyptus acmenioides.



Figure 34. Mine of Epiphthora sp. on Lomandra longifolia.

G. Family Gelechiidae.

Epiphthora sp. (=Apatetris of Meyrick.)

Mine type: Linear (Figure 34).

Host: Lomandra longifolia Labill.

Lisarow, N.S.Wales. Locality:

Notes: Larvae collected during September emerged as adults during October and November. Larvae are dark brown, and leave the mine to pupate in the soil in silken cocoons.

Epiphthora sp.

Mine type: Linear. Host: Dianella caerulea Sims. Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae collected during September emerged as adults during October and November. Oviposition occurs on the central leaf vein on the upper surface, or near the edge of the leaf on the lower surface. The mines are similar in appearance to those of the previous species. Larvae are distinctive, with 4 broad dark transverse bands separated by broad pale bands. Pupation occurs in the soil. At least two generations occur each year, larvae also being present during January and February.

Gnoremoschema operculella (Zell.).

This species, commonly known as the "potato moth" attacking Solanum tuberosum L. is well known, and the N.S.W. Department of Agriculture has published information in Insect Pest Leaflet No. 90. *Gnoremoschema phasiosema* (Turner).

Larvae of this species are reported as damaging stems of Lycopersicum sculentum Mill., as well as the leaves of older plants (N.S.W. Agricultural Gazette, Feb. 1954, pp. 105-6).

H. Family Cosmopterygidae.

Gen. et sp. indet.

Mine type:	Linear.
Host:	Gahnia melanocarpa R.Br.
Locality:	Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae were collected during September and emerged as adults during October. They bear a narrow dark longitudinal stripe for most of their length, each side of the median area. They attach themselves to the leaves or other support with a thread of silk, and always pupate while lying in a horizontal position.

J. Family Lyonetiidae.

Stegommata sulphuratella Meyrick

Mine type: Blotch (Figure 35).

Host: Banksia integrifolia.

Locality: Boat Harbour (Central Coast), N.S.Wales.

Notes: Larvae have been collected during April They are greenishwhite in colour, and are suspended inside the mine on the upper leaf cuticle by silken threads, to pupate. A brownish blotch mine is formed at the distal tip of a leaf to about half of its length. The base of the floor of the mine is slightly concave and the upper cuticle forming the "roof" of the mine is horizontal.

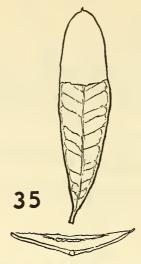


Figure 35. Mine of Stegommata sulphuratella on Banksia integrifolia, and section showing suspended pupa.

K. Family Tortricidae.

Peraglyphis atimana (Meyrick).

Larvae of this species mine in the leaves of Grevillea robusta A. Cunn. ex R.Br., and have been collected during January and February at Sydney.

Most of the Lepidopterous mines studied are held between celluloid sheets, in the collection of the Forestry Commission of New South Wales.

COLEOPTERA.

A. Family Curculionidae.

Larvae of Cydmaea diversa Lea, C. eucalypti Lea and C. luctuosa Pascoe, have been reported as mining in the foliage of Hakea teretifolia, H. sericea and H. teretifolia respectively (Moore 1964).

B. Family Chrysomelidae.

Halticorcus platycerii Lea.

This species was reared during September from mines occurring in leaves of the indigenous *Platycerium grande* (Fée) J.Sm. ex Presl. (staghorn) occurring at Lisarow, N.S.Wales. Some biology of the species is given in the N.S.W. Department of Agriculture Insect Pest Leaflet No. 62.

DIPTERA.

Family Agromyzidae.

Japanagromyza eucalypti Spencer.

Mine type: Linear-blotch.

Host: E. camaldulensis Dehn. (Specimen planted from nursery stock).

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: This species was first reared from very young foliage of a host plant which had been transplanted from the Narrandera (N.S.Wales) nursery of the Forestry Commission of N.S.W., to Lisarow. A larva collected on 6th February, pupated on 7th, the adult emerging on 23rd February. Wasp parasites emerging during February were also reared from larvae.

This species is the first true agromyzid recorded as feeding on any species of *Eucalyptus* (Spencer 1963:309).

Melanagromyza atomella (Malloch).

Mine type: Linear (Figure 36).

Hosts: Angophora floribunda; Hydrangea macrophylla Ser.

Locality: Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: An extensive list of hosts is given by Spencer (1963). The silver-coloured mine of the specimen reared from A. *floribunda* is reproduced in Figure 36. Larvae were collected, and emerged as adults, during October. They pupate at the distal extremity of the mine and adults emerge through the upper cuticle of the leaf.

Melanagromyza phaseoli (Tryon).

This species is the common pest of cultivated beans, and some of its biology is recorded by Spencer (1963).

Ophiomyia lantanae (Froggatt).

Although this species is not a leaf-miner, it is included here because of its association with the forestry problem of the control of *Lantana camara L*. on State Forests in N.S.Wales.

O. lantanae is common in coastal N.S.Wales, at least as far south as Sydney, where numerous fruits of L. camara are attacked. Contrary to Spencer's comment (1963:324) it has been found to attack the seed within the fleshy fruit, as well as mining in the flesh surrounding the seed, so that the reproductive potential of the seed may be destroyed. Some plants have been damaged to such an extent that almost every seed has been destroyed, although control of the host plant in N.S.Wales by O. lantanae is ineffectual.

Calicomyza humeralis (U.R.).

Mine type: Blotch. Host: Erigeron bonariensis L. Locality: Sydney, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Adults of this species have been reared from mines on the host plant growing in Sydney streets during January and February. The white mines in the foliage may occur anywhere on the upper leaf surface, and several mines may occur on the one leaf. More than 60 mines have been counted on the one small plant, and mines may be 5 mm. in width and up to 18 mm. in length.

A small brown or black spot on the cuticle of the leaf above the mine indicates the pupation site of the larva within the mine.

A number of indigenous Agromyzidae not reared by the writer, are given by Spencer (1963), and are listed in the appendix to this paper. Introduced species are given by Spencer (pp. 306-7).

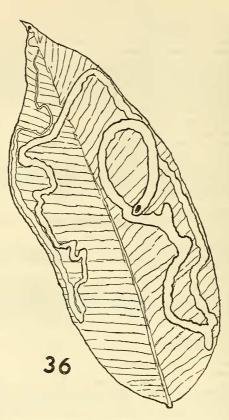


Figure 36. Mine of Melanagromyza atomella on Angophora floribunda.

HYMENOPTERA.

Family Argidae.

Schizocerella pilicornis (Holmgren).

Benson (1963) refers to this species as mining in Portulaca oleracea L., and as a species introduced from America.

Family Tenthredinidae.

Phylacteophaga froggatti Riek.

Considerable damage to several hosts utilised as amenity plantings, and some of the insect's biology, have been recorded by Hadlington (1954). Hosts mentioned are:— E. maculata Hook; E. citriodora Hook; E. botryoides Sm.; E. robusta; E. sideroxylon (A. Cunn.) Benth. partim; E. globulus Labili; E. ficifolia F. Muell.; E. cladocalyx F. Muell. Specimens have been collected from Sydney, Scone and Tamworth, N.S.Wales. Pupation occurs within the mine.

P. froggatti var.

Mine type:Blotch.Host:E. saligna.Locality:Lisarow, N.S.Wales.

Notes: Mines of this variety appear to be the same as those of *P. froggatti*, and it has been observed that attack is confined to coppice, regeneration and young stock up to about 10 ft. in height.

Larvae were collected during July to January, and up to 6 mines may occur on the one leaf. A purplish staining on the upper leaf cuticle occurs around the proximal narrow portion of the mine where oviposition occurs. Blisters formed by mining larvae are dark brown in colour, and always occur on the upper leaf surface.

Parasites reared from specimens include *Bracon* sp. (Braconidae) and a species of chalcidoid, which is often numerous and exerts considerable control of some populations.

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APPENDIX.

	Lea	af-mi	ner	Asso	ociati	ion	with	Host species.						
Leaf-miner	Speci	es						Host-plant Species						
ORDER COLEOPTERA														
Family Chrysomelidae														
Halticorcus platy	vcerii				·			Platycerium grande						
Family Curculionidae														
Cydmaea diversa								Hakea teretifolia						
C. eucalypti	••••	•····				•····	••••	H. sericea						
C. luctuosa	••••							H. teretifolia						
				ORE	DER	DI	TER	A						
Family Agromyzidae														
Agromyza testa		••••						?						
? Agromyza sp.							••••	Oplismenus compositus						
Calicomyza hum Cerodontha aust	eran:	s					••••	Erigeron bonariensis						
C. robusta								?						
								?						
Japanagromyza								Eucalyptus camaldulensis						
? Liriomyza sp.								Billardiera scandens						
L. australina								?						
L. brassicae								Tropaeolum major						
								Gynandropsis speciosa						
								Raphanus raplianistrum Diplotaxis muralis						
								CRUCIFERAE						
								CAPPARIDACEAE						
L. caulophaga								?						
L. chenopodii			••••					Beta vulgaris						
								Spinacia oleracea Stellaris media						
								Wallflower						
L. helichrysi								Heliclirysum bracteatum						
L. obscurata								?						
L. pallidicentrali.	s							?						
L. singularis								2						
L. tricolor	····.							?						
Melanagromyza M. alternata	albi	squa	та					2						
M. alysicarpi								Alysicarpus vaginalis						
mit alystearpt								A. nummularifolius						
M. apii								Apium graveolens						
								Celery (cultivated)						
M. atomella						••••		Angophora floribunda						
								Barringtonia gracilis Celastrus subspicatus						
								Doryphora sassafras						
								Hydrangea macrophylla						
								Marsdenia rostrata						
								Passiflora suberosa						
								Stephania japonica						
								Tylophora barbata						
M. bowralensis								(see also Spencer 1963)						
								Cassia bicapsularis						
								? Erythrina sp.						
M. centrosematis								Centrosema pubescens						
								Glycine soja						

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M. conspicua				 	 COMPOSITAE
M. dianellae			 	 	 Dianella caerulea
					Eustephus sp.
M. indigophera	е		 	 	Indigophera australis
					I. suffruticosa
M. metallica			 	 	 ? COMPOSITAE
M. murrayae			 	 	 Murraya paniculata
M. paramonovi				 	 2.
M. pliaseoli				 	 Phaseolus lathyroides
					Cajanus sp.
					Crotalaria sp.
					Dolichos sp.
					Soja sp.
					Vigna sp.
M. piliseta					?
M. pisi M. placida					Pisum sativum
M. placida					?
M. seneciophila					Senecio vagus
M. sojae					LEGUMINOSAE
					Cajanus sp.
					Glycine sp.
					Phaseolus sp.
					Swainsona galegifolia
M. specifica					2
M. trispina					?
M. trispina M. verdescens					2
M. wilkstroemic	10				 Wilkstroemia indica
					Pimelea ligustrina
Melanagromyza	c 72				Desmodium polycarpum
Meianagromyza	sp.				Senseie storopherus
Ophiomyia ang	uctilu	mula			Senecio pterophorus
O. australis	usuuu	muu			2
O. goodeniae					Goodenia ovata
O. lantanae					Lantana camara
O. micra					2
O. solanicola					Salanum prinophallum
Pseudonapomyz					Solanum prinophyllum Brachiaria miliformis
1 senuonapomy2	u spi	icaia			Elusine indica
					Zea sp.
					GRAMINEAE
Pliytobia caligi					?
P. humeralis					Aster subulatus
					Aster sp.
D inconto					Erigeron bonariensis ?
P. incerta					
P. poemyzina					? CYPERACEAE
P. triplicata					? Juncus sp.
Phytoliriomyza					7
Pliytomyza atric	cornis				Bidens pilosa
					Chrysanthemum maximum
					Cirsium vulgare
					Coreopsis sp.
					Helichrysum rutidolepis
					Senecio dryadeus
					S. lautus
					S. linearifolius
					S. minimus
					S. pterophorus
					Sonchus oleraceus
P. clematidicolla	1				Clematis aristata
P. plantaginis					Plantago spp.

Ρ.	vitalbae			 	 	Clematis aristata
	?					C. montana Cassinia aculeata
	?					C. aureonitens
						Helichrysum dendroideum
	?					Goodenia ovata
						Senecio sp.

Schizocerella pilia Phylacteophaga fr P. froggatti vat.	oggatti	Fami	amily Iy T	Ar 	gidae	Portulaca oleracea
		ORDE	R LE	EPID	OPTI	ERA
		Family	/ Cos	smop	teryg	
?						Gahnia melanocarpa
		Fan	nily (Gele	chiida	
Epiphthora sp						Lomandra longifolia
Epiphthora sp						Dianella caerulia
Gnoremoschema						Solanum tuberosum
G. phaseosema					•···•	Lycopersicum esculentum
		Family			teryg	
Eupselia sp. nr. co	arpocap	sella				E. acmenioides E. saligna
			ily G			
Acrocercops calice		••••				Eucalyptus acmenioides Macadamia alternifolia
A. chionosema A. hoplocala			•···•	••••	••••	
	·· ····				••••	Angophora costata
<i></i>						A. floribunda
						E. acmenioides
						E. pilularis
						E. saligna
A. macaria		••••				Euodia micrococca
A. ordinatella		••••			••••	Cinnamonum camphora
A. plebeia A. nr. argyrodesm				•···•		Acacia podalyrifolia Hakea salicifolia
Acrocercops sp. no						E. radiata
Acrocercops sp						Asterolasia correifolia
Acrocercops sp						Pomaderris ligustrina
Gracilaria xanthop	harella					Glochidion ferdinandi
Parectopa ida						Angophora floribunda

				Angophora floribund E. acmenioides E. gummifera E. paniculata
				E. pilularis E. robusta E. saligna Breynia oblongifolia Hibbertia scandens

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Family Heliozelidae							
Heliozela prodela					Angophora floribunda		
					E. acmenioides		
					E. gummifera E. pilularis		
					E. saligna		
Heliozela sp.?					E. saligna E. acmenioides		
					E. grandis		
Heliozela sp.?					E. saligna Angophora floribunda		
menocena opri in m					E. pilularis		
Heliozela sp.?		S., .,		•····	E. stricta		
	I	Family	Incury	ariidad	3		
"Tinea" sp. (spodina	group)				E. saligna		
"Tinea" sp. nr. pentasp	ila				E. acmenioides		
					E. pilularis		
"Tinea" sp. nr. pentasp	ila				E. saligna E. sieberi		
"Tinea" nectarea					E. acmenioides		
				1	E. pilularis		
				1	E. saligna		
		Family	Lyon	etiidae			
Stegommata sulphurate.	lla				Banksia integrifolia		
	1	Family	Nepti	culidae			
Nepticula phyllanthina					Glochidion ferdinandi		
Nepticula funeralis?					E. acmenioides		
N. C. I					E. pilularis		
Nepticula sp. (funeralis	group)	••••			E. grandis E. microcorys		
				1	E. saligna		
Nepticula sp. No. 1.					Angophora floribunda		
					E. acmenioides		
					E. grandis E. saligna		
Nepticula sp. No. 2.					A. floribunda		
				1	E. acmenioides		
					E. pilularis		
Nepticula sp. No. 3.				1	E. saligna E. acmenioides		
Nepucula sp. 140. 5.					E. acmenioides E. pilularis		
					E. saligna		
Nepticula sp. No. 4.				i	E. acmenioides		
				Į,	E. microcorys		
				1	E. pilularis E. saligna		
Nepticula sp. No. 5.					E. acmenioides		
				l	E. pilularis		
Nepticula sp				4	Asterolasia correifolia		
Nepticula sp					Pomaderris ligustrina E. acmenioides		
Nepticula sp.					E. acmenioides		
				E	E. microcorys		
Manticula on					E. saligna		
Nepticula sp					Angophora floribunda Rubus moorei		
Nepticula sp					Banksia serrata		
Nepticula sp					B. integrifolia		
Family Tortricidae							
Peraglyphis atimana				(Grevillea robusta		

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HOST AND LEAF-MINER ASSOCIATIONS

Host	Leaf-miner species	Order Family
Acacia podalyriifolia		Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
Alysicarpus nummularifolius		Diptera Agromyzidae
A. vaginalis		Diptera Agromyzidae
	Acrocercops laciniella	Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
	Acrocercops laciniella	Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
A. floribunda	. Parectopa ida	Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
A. floribunda	. Nepticula sp. No. 1	Lepidoptera Nepticulidae
A. floribunda		Lepidoptera Nepticulidae
A. floribunda	? sp	Lepidoptera Nepticulidae
	Heliozela prodela	Lepidoptera Heliozelidae
A. floribunda	?	Lepidoptera Heliozelidae
Apium graveolens	Melanagromyza apii	Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
Aster subulatus		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Lepidoptera Nepticulidae
		Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
		Lepidoptera Lyonetiidae
B. serrata		Lepidoptera Nepticulidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera
Cassinia aculeata		Diptera Agromyzidae
C. aureonitens		Diptera Agromyzidae
	· · ·	Diptera
		Diptera
Chrysanthemum maximum		Diptera
		Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
Ciemails arisiala		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
Desmodium polycarpum		Diptera Agromyzidae
Dianella caerulea		Diptera Agromyzidae
Distant li		Lepidoptera Gelechiidae
	Liríomyza brassicae	
		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
		Diptera Agromyzidae
Erigeron bonariensis	Calicomyza humeralis	
	Pliytobia liunieralis	
		Diptera Agromyzidae
Eucalyptus acmenioides	Acrocercops calicella	
		Lepidoptera Gracilariidae
	Parectopa ida	
	Nepticula ? funeralis	
	Nepticula sp. No. 1	Lepidoptera Nepticulidae

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	Nepticula sp. No. 2	Lepidoptera .	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 3	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 4	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 5	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	2	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Heliozela prodela	Lepidoptera	Heliozelidae
	nenoteia proacta		Heliozelidae
	"Times" on pr speding		
	"Tinea" sp. nr. spodina "Tinea" nectarea		Incurvantuae
	Tinea nectarea	Lepidoptera	GL 1: 4
	Eupselia nr. carpocapsella	Lepidoptera	Glyphipterygidae
Eucalyptus botryoides	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. camaldulensis	Japanagromyza eucalypti	Diptera	
E. citriodora	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. cladocalvx	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. ficifolia	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. grandis	Nepticula sp. (funeralis group)		
	Nepticula sp. No. 1	Lepidoptera	
	9 100 1	Lepidoptera	
	Paractona ida		Gracilariidae
E. gummifera	Parectopa ida		
	Heliozela prodela	Lepidoptera	Heliozelidae
E. maculata	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. microcorys	Nepticula sp. (funeralis group)		
	Nepticula sp. No. 4	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	?	Lepidoptera	
E. paniculata	Parectopa ida	Lepidoptera	Gracilariidae
E. pilularis	Acrocercops laciniella	Lepidoptera	Gracilariidae
	Parectopa ida	Lepidoptera	Gracilariidae
	Nepticula funeralis ?	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 2		
	Nepticula sp. No. 3	Lepidoptera	
	Nepticula sp. No. 4	Lepidoptera	
	Nepticula sp. No. 5	Lepidoptera	
	Heliozela prodela	Lepidoptera	Heliozelidae
	7	Lepidoptera	
	"Tinea" sp. nr. spodina	Lepidoptera	
	"Tinea" nectarea	Lepidoptera	mm1 1.1
E. radiata			
	Acrocercops sp. nov ?		
E. robusta	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
	Parectopa ida	Lepidoptera	
E. saligna	Phylacteophaga froggatti var.		Tenthredinidae
	Acrocercops hoplocala		
		Lepidoptera	Gracilariidae
	Parectopa ida	Lepidoptera	
	Nepticula sp. (funeralis group)		
	Nepticula sp. No. 1	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 2	Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
	Nepticula sp. No. 3	Lepidoptera	
	Nepticula sp. No. 4	Lepidoptera	
	?	Lepidoptera	
	Heliozela prodela		WW 41 11 4
	?	Lepidoptera	
	"Tinea" in spodina group	Lepidoptera	
	"Tinea" nr. spodina	Lepidoptera	
	"Tinea" nectarea	Lepidoptera	mot t.t
	Eupselia nr. carpocapsella	Lepidoptera	
E. sideroxylon	Phylacteophaga froggatti	Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae
E. sieberi		Lepidoptera .	Incurvariidae
E. stricta	"Tinea" nr. pentaspila		Heliozelidae
	Annonene manaria		
Euodia micrococca	Acrocercops macaria	Lepidoptera	
	Melanagromyza dianellae	Diptera	
Gahnia melanocarpa	1	Lepidoptera .	Cosmopterygidae

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Glochidion ferdinandi		Gracilaria xanthopharella Lepidoptera	Gracilariidae
		Nepticula phyllanthina Lepidoptera	
Glycine sp		Melanagromyza sojae Diptera	
G. soja		M. centrosematis Diptera	
Goodenia ovata			
		Ophiomyia goodeniae Diptera	
GRAMINEAE		Pseudonapomyza spicata Diptera	
		Peraglyphis atimana Lepidoptera	
Gynandropsis speciosa		Liriomyza brassicae Diptera	
Hakea salicifolia		Acrocercops nr. argyrodesma Lepidoptera	
H. sericea		Cydmaea eucalypti Coleoptera	Curculionidae
			Curculionidae
		C. luctuosa Coleoptera	
Helichrysum bracteatur	**		Agromyzidae
H. dendroideum		? Diptera	
H. rutidolepis			
			Agromyzidae
Hibbertia scandens .		Phyllocnistis sp. nov. ? Lepidoptera	
Hydrangea macrophylla		Melanagromyza atomella Diptera	
Indigophera australis .			Agromyzidae
I. suffruticosa		M. indigopherae Diptera	Agromyzidae
Juncus sp. ?		Phytobia triplicata Diptera	Agromyzidae
Lantana camara			Agromyzidae
LEGUMINOSAE		Melanagromyza sojae Diptera	
Lomandra longifolia .		Ephiphthora sp Lepidoptera	
Lycopersicon esculentur		Gnoremoschema phaesiosema Lepidoptera	
Macadamia integrifolia	· ····	Acrocercops chionosema Lepidoptera	
Marsdenia rostrata		Melanagromyza atomella Diptera	
		M. murrayae Diptera	Agromyzidae
Oplismenus compositus .			Agromyzidae
Passiflora suberosa .		Melanagromyza atomella Diptera	Agromyzidae
Phaseolus sp			Agromyzidae
P. lathyroides			Agromyzidae
Pimelea ligustrina			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
Plantago sp	••••		Agromyzidae
			Chrysomelidae
Pomaderris ligustrina		Acrocercops sp Lepidoptera	
		Nepticula sp Lepidoptera	
Portulaca oleracea		Schizocerella pilicornis Hymenoptera	Argidae
Raphanus raphanistrun	n	Liriomyza brassicae Diptera	Agromyzidae
Rubus moorei		Nepticula sp. ? Lepidoptera	Nepticulidae
Senecio sp.			
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
S. vagus			Agromyzidae
Soja sp			Agromyzidae
Solanum prinophyllum		Ophiomyia solanicola Diptera	Agromyzidae
Stuberosum		Gnoremoschema operculella Lepidoptera	
		Phytomyza atricornis Diptera	
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
Swainsona galegifolia			Agromyzidae
Tropaeolum major .			Agromyzidae
Tylophora barbata		M. atomella Diptera	Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
			Agromyzidae
Zea sp			Agromyzidae

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